

House Resolution No. 3302

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives hold in high esteem those Show-Me State residents who admirably answered the patriotic call to national service during times of worldwide turmoil through their enlistment in the various branches which make up the United States military; and

Whereas, George Silvey was born in Seymour, Missouri, into a family whose mother's poor health meant that he would be responsible for taking care of his younger siblings and working on the family farm after his completion of the eighth grade in 1938; and

Whereas, in June 1942, the year he would have graduated from high school, George Silvey joined the United States Army and began training that would equip him for subsequent endeavors in India and Burma during World War II; and

Whereas, after his return to Missouri after the war, George Silvey married his beloved JoAnn Elliott on May 10, 1945, and moved to Kansas City where he attended a mechanical and electrical school; and

Whereas, in 1950 George Silvey joined the Air Force Reserves, after which he was called to active duty in February 1951; and

Whereas, George Silvey returned to Kansas City in November 1952, began building fighter aircraft at the General Motors Fairfax plant, and subsequently accepted employment with TWA on August 8, 1955; and

Whereas, after retirement from TWA in 1984, George Silvey moved back to Chillicothe with his beloved wife to become an active member of his community through volunteer service with Meals on Wheels and civic-minded leadership as Commander of American Legion Post 25; and

Whereas, George Silvey will proudly join the Chillicothe High School graduating class of 2005 to receive his high school diploma sixty-three years after he enlisted in the military as part of America's Greatest Generation:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-third General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the significant personal and career achievements garnered down through the years by George Silvey and to convey to him this legislative body's most heartfelt congratulations upon his receipt of an honorary high school diploma sixty-three years after his entrance into the military during World War II; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution in honor of George Silvey of Chillicothe, Missouri.

Offered by _____
Representative Ryan Silvey
District No. 38

Representative John Quinn
District No. 7

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives,
Ninety-third General Assembly, First Regular Session, do
certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House
Resolution No. 3302, adopted May 12, 2005.

Rod Jetton, Speaker